

**Amendments to the Claims:**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. - 9. (canceled)

10. (new) A cosmetic or dermatological composition comprising:

- (a) from 5 % to 50 % by weight of one or more polyols;
- (b) from 0.01 % to 75 % by weight of one or more betaines.

11. (new) The composition of claim 10, wherein the one or more polyols comprise at least one of glycerol and sorbitol.

12. (new) The composition of claim 11, wherein the composition comprises from 5 % to 20 % by weight of the one or more polyols.

13. (new) The composition of claim 10, wherein the composition comprises from 5 % to 15 % by weight of the one or more polyols.

14. (new) The composition of claim 10, wherein the one or more polyols comprise glycerol.

15. (new) The composition of claim 10, wherein the one or more betaines comprise

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trimethylglycine.

16. (new) The composition of claim 14, wherein the one or more betaines comprise trimethylglycine.

17. (new) The composition of claim 10, wherein the composition comprises from 0.5 % to 50 % by weight of the one or more betaines.

18. (new) The composition of claim 17, wherein the composition comprises up to 15 % by weight of the one or more betaines.

19. (new) The composition of claim 17, wherein the composition comprises at least 3 % by weight of the one or more betaines.

20. (new) The composition of claim 13, wherein the composition comprises from 3 % to 15 % by weight of the one or more betaines.

21. (new) The composition of claim 10, wherein the composition further comprises a UV filter substance.

22. (new) The composition of claim 21, wherein the UV filter substance comprises at least

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one of a UVA and a UVB filter substance.

23. (new) The composition of claim 10, wherein the composition further comprises a pigment.

24. (new) The composition of claim 23, wherein the pigment comprises at least one of  $\text{TiO}_2$ ,  $\text{ZnO}$  and  $\text{BaSO}_4$ .

25. (new) The composition of claim 10, wherein the composition further comprises one or more antioxidants.

26. (new) The composition of claim 25, wherein the one or more antioxidants are present in a concentration of from 0.05 % to 7 % by weight.

27. (new) The composition of claim 10, wherein the composition comprises:

- (a) from 5 % to 20 % by weight of one or more polyols which comprise at least one of sorbitol and glycerol;
- (b) from 0.5 to 50 % by weight of one or more betaines which comprise trimethylglycine.

28. (new) The composition of claim 27, wherein the composition comprises up to 15 % by

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weight of the one or more polyols.

29. (new) The composition of claim 28, wherein the composition comprises from 3 % to 15 % by weight of the one or more betaines.

30. (new) The composition of claim 29, wherein the one or more polyols comprise glycerol.

31. (new) An emulsion which comprises the composition of claim 10.

32. (new) The emulsion of claim 31, wherein the emulsion comprises an O/W emulsion.

33. (new) The emulsion of claim 31, wherein the emulsion comprises a W/O emulsion.

34. (new) A body lotion which comprises the composition of claim 10.

35. (new) A face cream which comprises the composition of claim 10.

36. (new) A skin cream which comprises the composition of claim 10.

37. (new) A sunscreen which comprises the composition of claim 10.

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38. (new) A method of reducing a stickiness of a polyol-containing cosmetic or dermatological composition, wherein the method comprises incorporating into the composition one or more betaines.

39. (new) A method of reducing a greasy skin sensation of a polyol-containing cosmetic or dermatological composition, wherein the method comprises incorporating into the composition one or more betaines.

40. (new) A method of improving sensory properties of a cosmetic or dermatological composition, wherein the method comprises incorporating into the composition one or more betaines.

41. (new) A method of reducing adherence of foreign particles to skin treated with a cosmetic or dermatological composition, wherein the method comprises incorporating into the composition one or more betaines.

42. (new) The method of claim 41, wherein the foreign particles comprise sand particles.